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GOV. EASLEY APPOINTS HUDSON TO AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY AWARENESS STUDY COMMISSION

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley has appointed **Phil Hudson** of Newton Grove to the North Carolina Agriculture and Forestry Awareness Study Commission.

Hudson is owner and manager of John Hudson Farms Inc. He is chairman of the Sampson County Committee of the Farm Service Agency and a member of the N.C. State University College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Tobacco Foundation Investment Committee. Hudson received his Bachelor's degree in business administration from Campbell University.

The commission informs the General Assembly on the influence of agriculture, forestry and seafood in regards to the economy of the state. It also develops alternatives for increasing public awareness and conducts studies to identify problems concerning future growth and development of the industry. The commission has 17 members, each serving a two-year term. The governor appoints three members. The Speaker of the House and the Senate President Pro Tempore each appoint three members. The chairs of the House and Senate Agriculture committees, the commissioner of Agriculture, a member designated by the chair of the board, the president of the Farm Bureau, the master of N.C. State Grange, the president of the N.C. Forestry Association and the secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources also serve on the commission.

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